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With the Help of Tingen Law



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Raymond's story begins in Hungary, where his mother dreamed of a better education for him. After earning a prestigious scholarship, he moved to the U.S. at 16. Despite language barriers, he adapted quickly, driven by a deep-rooted focus on math and science.

He was later accepted to the University of Richmond, majoring in finance and economics — a strategic choice that opened more doors as an immigrant. But his journey was far from easy.



"We chose to do things the right way," Raymond shares. "Without Tingen Law, none of this would've been possible."

After graduation, Raymond obtained a job at Taylor Hoffman, an investment firm willing to support his immigration journey. However, the challenges were far from over. He initially had only a one-year Optional Practical Training (OPT) period, insufficient for completing the green card process. A pivotal moment came when the University of Richmond reclassified his degree as STEM, a change Raymond actively pursued with the legal guidance and advocacy of Tingen Law.

Overcoming Immigration Challenges with Tingen Law

Rather than taking the uncertain path of the H-1B visa lottery, Raymond and his employer, guided by the expert attorneys at Tingen Law, opted for a direct green card application via the PERM process. This complex procedure required extensive recruitment efforts and legal strategy to demonstrate that no U.S. citizen could fill his position.

Throughout, Raymond emphasized doing things "the right way" — refusing to pursue marriage-based immigration and choosing instead to rely on his education, career achievements, and the strategic support of Tingen Law.

The successful green card approval was a hard-won triumph, lifting years of uncertainty. Raymond reflects that while the final moment was somewhat anticlimactic, it represented the culmination of immense effort, sacrifice, and expert legal support.



Raymond's experience offers valuable lessons:

- **Strategic Planning with Legal Support:** Choosing a field of study and career path that align with immigration opportunities, combined with knowledgeable legal guidance, is critical.
- **Persistence:** Every step — from high school to college to employment — required sacrifices, long-term planning, and relentless determination.
- **Advocacy and Expertise:** Actively seeking solutions, such as advocating for degree reclassification, was made possible through the expertise of Tingen Law.

Raymond also highlights systemic issues within U.S. immigration, advocating for expanding employment-based immigration opportunities to retain top global talent — a move he believes is vital for America's continued success.

Today, Raymond enjoys a fulfilling career, a committed relationship, and looks forward to applying for U.S. citizenship — an achievement made possible in part through the dedicated work of Tingen Law.

How Tingen Law Makes the American Dream Possible

Raymond's journey is a powerful testament to the immigrant spirit: facing barriers yet pushing through with resilience and optimism. His case highlights how professional legal guidance, like that provided by Tingen Law, can make the difference between success and heartbreak.

Tingen Law proudly supports immigrants every step of the way, offering tailored advice, relentless advocacy, and expert legal strategies to ensure their American Dream becomes reality. If you or someone you know needs help navigating the immigration journey, reach out to Tingen Law — because your dream deserves the right team behind it.



Turning Obstacles into Opportunities

Raymond's journey shows us that the road to the American Dream is rarely straight — but with the right support, it's absolutely possible.

From a teenager with a dream in Hungary to a thriving professional in the U.S., every chapter of his story was built on smart decisions, relentless effort, and a firm belief in doing things the right way. What made the difference? Expert guidance from a legal team that cared — Tingen Law.

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